

Farm Demonstration Department



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Farming the Back Yard.

The back yard, the most fertile spot on the farm, is too often a place for the production of filth, disease, death dealing products for man and beasts.

Every nook and corner of the back yard may be made to produce something of value and to be made to appear "a thing of beauty and a joy forever" instead a garbage heap as is too often the case. There is often sufficient room for a grape or scuppernon, a fig, a cherry, a plum, a few peaches, blackberries, raspberries, and even an apple or two. With such fruits, may be carried a sufficient number of hens to supply the family with an egg supply—the next best food of its kind in the world. The poultry yards may be alternated in a green grazing crop winter and summer, and thus add efficiency to the hen, supply beauty to the premises, and keep up the humus supply to the soil.

If nothing else, plant the whole yard to Mammoth Russian Sunflowers and save poultry expenses. Let's learn to farm the back yard and then add to that area until we reach the back of the farm. We shall then be doing "some farming."

W. H. Barton.

The Poor Man's Silo.

We recently caught Mr. Z. O. Ellerbe using a "poor man's silo." Two Kansas stock melons (commonly known as citron melon) came up in his watermelon patch and produced 26 melons. Mr. Ellerbe had heard somewhere that they were called "poor man's silo," and decided to give them a trial as cow feed. His cow was giving one and one-half gallons of milk when the test began. He fed two melons daily for about ten days and the milk flow increased to two and a half gallons per day without any change in feed except the citron melons.

The melons here referred to are the same variety on exhibit at the County Fair in the "Demonstration Booth." We wrote an article early last summer reciting the virtues of this melon, but few were planted as a result.

Suppose each of our 1800 farmers planted only a tiny patch—sufficient for only one cow. There would have been an increase in our milk supply of

1800 gallons per day, 54000 per month, or 324000 gallons in the six months from Nov. 1 to May 1. This would have been worth (at even 40cts per gallon) \$129,600, and the cows would be in better health, would have produced more healthful milk (according to Dr. McCollum) and we would not have missed the time it required (out of the cotton field) to produce them.

Mr. Ellerbe fed only two small melons each day. These melons are liked by horses, hogs, poultry, sheep, as well as by cows, and man will relish them when made into pickles or preserves.

Come Weevil, and with compound trip hammer power, break the shell of habit and deliver us from ourselves, that we may no longer "despise the day of small things."

W. H. Barton.

43c Each.

22 citizens of Rockingham last fall signed a contract guaranteeing a \$400 three-number Lyceum course. Their motive was purely to get some good, clean attractions here.

The three shows were good and enjoyed, especially the Shakespearean play, "Taming of the Shrew." Thanks to the energetic work of the Woman's Club, who sold the season tickets, the guarantors were faced with a deficit of only 43cents each. And now rather than call upon these guarantors for this small amount, the club has decided to pay this small deficit itself.

Company Locates Here.

The Singer Sewing Machine Co. has moved its district office from Hamlet to Rockingham, last week, and are occupying part of the room in the opera house building, next to the Bank of Pee Dee. Mr. R. P. Edwards is manager and Miss Nan Usher, of Marlboro county, is stenographer; she has been with the concern for the past eight months.

This district embraces Richmond, Scotland, Lee, Moore and Montgomery counties. The headquarters were located here up until 1914 when a change was made to Hamlet. Now the concern comes back to its first love, Rockingham. Local agents in Richmond county are George Warburton, L. R. Reynolds and R. S. L. Davis. The community is glad to have this company again locate here, and welcome Mr. Edwards and Miss Usher.

Marriage Licenses.

Jan. 28—James Horan and Helen Burroughs, white.
Jan. 28—Dellis Ingram and Ardelia Steele, colored.
Jan. 31—Harry M. Shaw and Grace W. Simpson, white.

Wilson Foundation.

In addition to the contributions published in last week's paper, the following amounts have been received by I. S. London, treas.

Osborne school \$1.00
Pee Dee school 3.00
Rockingham school 26.13

Who will be the next \$1.00 contributor?

175 Registered.

As we go to press, the total number who have registered for the approaching \$100,000 school bond election for Rockingham is just 175. The registration books close Feb. 11th. The election is the 21st. Surely you want to have a part in this vital matter. Then register and be in position to cast your vote.

This (Thursday) afternoon the Woman's Club met and heard talks on the election from a number of ladies; among the number was a talk by a mother whose son has graduated here; another by a mother who has some half dozen children in school; and a third talk by a lady who has no children. The question was handled from three different angles. The women are enthused over the carrying of this issue, and their energies are bent towards getting our people to register. See Henry L. Guthrie without delay.

Ginning Report March 20th.

The next Government ginning report for the 1921 cotton crop will be issued March 20th, and these will be the preliminary final figures for the total crop.

Veteran Dead.

Mr. Alex McInnis died at the County Home Monday of cancer, and was buried Tuesday in the McDonald family graveyard near Ledbetter's. Mr. McInnis was 75 years old. He was a faithful soldier in the 27th battalion Confederate army, and was a member of Marks Creek Presbyterian church. Rev. Mr. Coppedge officiated at the funeral.

The newly organized chapter of U D. C. sent a wreath tied with the red and white, the Confederate colors, for his grave, this being the first official act of the new Chapter.

\$395 Tractors.

Henry Ford has again reduced the price of Fordson tractors, this time to \$395 f. o. b. Detroit. See advt page 5.

J. Springs Postoffice.

A new examination has been ordered for Jackson Springs. The only eligible is Mrs. Janie E. Clark, and the Republicans want somebody else.

Just Another Word.

Tired of seeing that blue X mark scratching the front of your paper? Of course you are. Therefore send along your renewal and your label is changed.

\$40,000 in Taxes.

Quite a large amount in taxes, \$40,000, were paid to Sheriff McDonald during the closing days of January by people who waited till the very last day before the one per cent penalty went into effect (Feb. 1st).

The largest amount was by the Seaboard, this being \$17,624.79. The amount assessed against the railroad was \$22,175.38, but a law suit is underway regarding this larger amount and so for the present at least the smaller amount was paid. Last year the Seaboard paid the county \$16,938.44 in taxes.

Something Good in Prospect.

The arrangement committee has plans on foot for an epochal meeting of the Good Fellows club, probably the latter part of next week. This next luncheon will be held at night instead of during the noon hour. The exact date will be announced next issue.

The committee is planning for a movement that should have a tremendous meaning for Rockingham and the entire county. Keep your ears attuned, you Good Fellows and all you who ought to be Good Fellows. The new idea concerns you deeply.

The Hartzells Here.

Rev. and Mrs. Howard Hartzell will arrive here from Smithfield Friday or Saturday and will stay at the home of Mrs. Bettie Long.

Mr. Hartzell has accepted the call as rector of the Rockingham and Hamlet Episcopal churches. He will hold service every Sunday morning here, and at Hamlet every Sunday night, for the present. The first service will be this coming Sunday morning, and his congregation has prepared a vested choir for this and all subsequent services. Many of the Hamlet congregation, with their choir, expect to attend the service Sunday, and members of other churches are at all times welcome.

The congregation of this church will hold a reception for the new rector Thursday night, Feb. 9th, from 9 to 10 o'clock at the residence of Mrs. H. C. Wall. The pastors of the various churches of the community, and their wives, and the governing bodies of the various churches, the stewards, deacons and elders and their wives, are invited. Also, of course the Hamlet congregation.

NASH-PHILLIPS AND THE SOLICITORSHIP

The Post-Dispatch is printing below some letters that have passed between W. Steele Lowdermilk and the two candidates from Richmond county for Solicitor, M. W. Nash and F. Don Phillips. The letters explain themselves:

January 6th, 1922.

Hon. W. Steele Lowdermilk,
President Richmond County Bar Association, Rockingham, N. C.

Dear Steele—
I am in receipt of a copy of the resolution passed by the Richmond County Bar Association on January 19th, 1922, which contained a notice to Mr. M. W. Nash and myself, directing that we submit our claims as candidates for Solicitor to a primary to be called by the Democratic Executive Committee of Richmond County, to determine Richmond County, to determine Richmond County, to determine Richmond County.

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Training School for Negroes.

The last Legislature appropriated \$25,000 for the erection of a negro reformatory, similar to the Jackson Training School for white youths. Gov. Morrison Tuesday appointed the following as trustees: W. N. Everett, Rockingham, M. B. Hart, Tarboro; L. R. Varner, Lumberton; Thad L. Tate, colored, Charlotte; S. G. Atkins, colored, Winston.

The trustees are authorized to select a location and arrange for the establishment of this negro training school for wayward boys. The trustees have not met as yet, and doubtless many sites will be offered for their selection. It is understood that interested parties are trying to sell a strip of land about four miles east of Rockingham as a site for this school.

School Dental Work Interrupted.

The free dental work for the schools of Richmond conducted by Dr. C. D. Dawkins for the past several weeks under direction of the State Board of Health, was suspended this week temporarily. Dr. Dawkins is unwell, and his physician thought it best for him Wednesday to go to a hospital for treatment. And so the schedule is suspended for the present, but will be resumed as soon as Dr. Dawkins returns, or a new dentist is sent.

Sees His Shadow.

If the old saying is to be believed, there will be six more weeks of real winter. The G. H. came out at noon today and seeing his shadow, scurried back to his hole, well knowing that the backbone of winter is not yet broken. It was cloudy all morning, but just before noon the sun came out, thereby enabling his hogship to see his shadow.

ROLLER A SUICIDE

Young White Man Found Dead in Ford on Highway Tuesday Morning. Bullet Under Heart, Coroner Says Suicide.

Jim Roller, a young white man aged about 21, and son of Henry Roller, of Wolf Pit, was found dead in his car Tuesday morning, beside the highway about half a mile below the residence of William Crosland, 11 miles from Rockingham.

The unfortunate young man was discovered early Tuesday morning doubled up in his car. Beside him was his pistol, one chamber of which was empty. A bullet hole was just beneath the heart. Death had evidently been instantaneous, and he had been dead for many hours.

It is understood he had been calling on a young lady the afternoon previous, and left the home about 7 o'clock. This car was seen standing by the main road, where it was found, around 8 o'clock.

Superior Court.

The special term of Superior Court for criminal cases will convene Feb. 13th. Of chief interest will be the Dennis Jessup case and the colored dance hall Leak cases. Judge McElroy will preside. Any one superstitious about a case starting on the 13th?

Charged With Arson.

Tom Liles, colored, was arrested last week on the charge of arson. His preliminary hearing will be before Squire Mullis Friday at 11. Sedberry & Phillips, and Seawell, of Carthage, will defend him, and Fred W. Bynum will prosecute for the State.

Tom's store was burned the morning of January 1st, on Stewart street in Rockingham. He had something like \$3000 insurance. Deputy Ins. Com. Scott has been investigating, and this resulted in accusing Tom with setting fire to his store for the insurance.

Creditors Probably Accept.

The creditors of the bankrupt E. Thomas will meet Friday in Raleigh. It is very likely they will agree to a compromise settlement with him, and that he will shortly again open up his mercantile establishment for business.

AT THE STAR THEATRE Friday, Feb. 3rd

An all-star cast "BEAU REVEL"

Come one, come all. Matinee 2:30, night at 7 o'clock.

Some One Has Aptly Remarkd, That
"the only things certain"

ARE TAXES AND DEATH!

YOU are no doubt the prop of your family.
When that prop falls, where will your family be?

It is not fair to them to run the risk of their being left stranded.
Insure your life to a proper amount and keep them protected. It is their due; you owe it to them. See Corpening or Simmons for an attractive policy and easy payment plan.

RICHMOND INSURANCE & REALTY COMPANY
E. C. CORPENING, Sec-Treas. Office in Hotel Building

PROCLAMATION of "The Bank on the Square"

the Only Savings Bank in the County, of its 82nd Interest Quarter, which starts January 1st, 1922.
Deposits made on or before January 5th will bear interest from January 1st.

On this date OUR BANK will have paid its Depositors INTEREST amounting to One Hundred and Ninety Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-Three Dollars.

What is an Interest Quarter?

It is the beginning of a THREE months period when interest starts to accumulate on all Savings Deposits, usually beginning January 1st, April 1st, July 1st and October 1st.

What Does Compound Interest Mean?

It means that if your money has been on deposit THREE full months from the 1st to the 31st of any of the quarterly periods above mentioned, the THREE months interest is added to your account—thus becoming a part of the PRINCIPAL, and it also begins to earn interest.

Why Do We Give the First Five Days of Each Quarter?

Because it would be impossible for us to serve all of our Depositors on the first day. It gives us time to open up new accounts, and credit Depositors with interest due them, and give our customers better service.

OUR CHRISTMAS SAVINGS CLUB FOR 1922 IS NOW OPEN

You can get BOOKS paying 10 cents per week, 25 cents per week, 50 cents per week, \$1.00 per week and \$2.00 per week. Call at OUR BANK today and get your Book while you are thinking about it. We invite your business. "The Bank on the Square" extends to its Patrons and Friends the Season's Greetings, and wish for them a very happy Christmas, and a prosperous 1922.

The Richmond County Savings Bank
ROCKINGHAM, N. C.

"The Bank On the Square"

Open each SATURDAY until 5 p. m.